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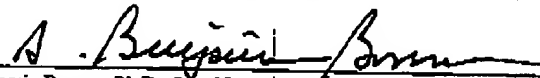
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

In the Office Action dated January 6, 2006, a shortened period for reply was set to expire on February 6, 2006.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for an extension of time for replying to the Office Action up to and including April 6, 2006.

X Applicant(s) hereby claim small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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The TOTAL PETITION FEE is included with the payment of other papers filed together with this petition.

The other papers enclosed or associated with this communication include:

- X A reply to the Office Action is filed herewith.
- X "Small Entity" status for this application has previously been established.
- X Other: Transmittal Letter, Certificate of Facsimile Transmission, Authorization to use Deposit Account No: 06-1325.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325.

Respectfully submitted,

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